

# **MVS/ESA**

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# **INTRODUCTION**

What Is MVS/ESA

Why Convert To MVS/ESA

What Becomes Possible With MVS/ESA

**Traditional Mainframe Environment** 

**Open Environment (OS/390)** 



## WHAT IS MVS/ESA

MVS/ESA Stands For Multiple Virtual Storage/Enterprise Systems Architecture

It Is The Result Of An Evolutionary Process

**Beginning With The IBM 370** 

With Its Roots In The IBM 360

It Has Evolved In Response To

**Growth In Hardware Power** 

**Demands Created By Growing User Needs** 



## **HISTORY**

#### Original MVS Used 24 Bit Addressing

**This Limits Direct Memory Addressing To 16 MB** 

When The Average Mainframe Had Far Less Than 16 MB Of Real Memory, This Did Not Seem To Be A Problem

However, Over Time, This Became A Severe Problem For Most Users

IBM's Response To This Was MVS/XA



## **HISTORY**

#### **MVS/XA (Extended Architecture)**

Went From 24 To 31 Bit Addressing

This Increased Addressability From 16 MB to 2 GB

Like The Original MVS, The 2 GB Address Space Contains Both System And Application Code And Data



# **HISTORY**

In General, The 2 GB Address Space Is Adequate

However, It Can Limit Full Exploitation Of The Resources
Available On Modern Systems

IBM's Response To This Was MVS/ESA



## THE DATA SPACE

Among Other Things, ESA Introduces The Concept Of A Data Space

While an Address Space Contains Both Code And Data, A Data Space Contains Only Data (Up To 2 GB Each)

We Will Return To This Concept Later



#### **WHY ESA**

#### Why Convert To MVS/ESA

**Prior Versions Of MVS Are No Longer Supported By IBM** 

A Recent Survey Of MVS Users Showed That 92% Were At Supported Levels Of MVS/ESA

Less Than 4% Of Respondents Were At MVS/XA



#### **WHY ESA**

#### Why Convert To MVS/ESA

Will Provide Full Year 2000 Date-Field Support On All Components

Allows Users To More Fully Exploit The Hardware Capabilities Now Available

Unix Services Compliant With The X/Open Single Unix Specification Are Available

DISA Will Be Migrating The DLA Production Environment
To MVS/ESA



#### **OS/390**

#### Why Convert To MVS/ESA

**OS/390 Benefits** 

OS/390 Is IBM's Latest Packaging Option

**Bundles Over 25 Products And Features Into A Pre- Tested Package** 

Installation, Testing and Maintenance Greatly Simplified

Includes All Functions Needed To Support X/Open Single Unix Specification



#### POSSIBILITIES - MAINFRAME

#### What Becomes Possible With MVS/ESA

**Traditional Mainframe Environment** 

**MVS/ESA Is Largely About I/O Avoidance** 

As Mainframe Hardware Has Evolved, The Speed Gap Between The Processor And Disks Has Grown Dramatically

CPU Speeds Are Measured In Billionths of Seconds Memory Speeds Are Measured In Millionths of Seconds Disk Speeds Are Measured In Thousandths of Seconds



#### I/O AVOIDANCE

#### What Becomes Possible With MVS/ESA

High Performance Applications Depend On Avoiding I/O Delays Caused By Access To Disks

ESA Provides Facilities Which Allow Large Amounts Of Data To Be Stored In And Accessed From Memory Thus Avoiding Disk I/O

The Evolution Of MVS Can Be Viewed As A Continual Extension Of The Amount Of Memory Than Can Be Addressed By Programs

The ESA Data Space Contains Only Data (Up To 2 GB) And Is Fully Addressable



#### I/O AVOIDANCE

#### What Becomes Possible With MVS/ESA

This Allows Programs To Access Large Amounts Of Data Loaded In Memory (Potentially Entire Files)

Data In Memory Avoids I/O To Disk And The CPU Cycles Associated With That I/O

The Result Is Improved On-line Response Times, Improved Batch Thruput And More Efficient CPU Use

**Data In Memory Candidates Include** 

- System Code Application Code Program Libraries
- Sort Work Areas Data Sets Data Base Buffers



#### **EXAMPLE**

#### **DLA Example**

SAMMS Master Files Are Accessed Via A DLA Developed API Called SAMSAM

Under MVS/XA, SAMSAM Uses Memory In Its Address Space As A Data Cache In Order To Reduce Disk I/O

Under MVS/ESA, Data Spaces Could Be Used To Greatly Enhance This Capability



## POSSIBILITIES - OS/390

#### What Becomes Possible With MVS/ESA

As Noted MVS/ESA Provides Standards Compliant UNIX Services

This Means That The Mainframe Is Now Capable Of Serving As A Large, Reliable and Secure Data Server For Mid-Tier Applications

This Could Eliminate The Need For The Data Uploads and Downloads

If Properly Developed, Applications Would Be Directly Portable Between The Mainframe And The Mid-Tier

It Would Be Possible To Run Related Applications Like SAMMS And DPACS On The Same Mainframe



#### CONCLUSION

#### **DLA Will Be Converting To MVS/ESA**

This Will Allow The Mainframe To Continue To Serve DLA's Business Needs

It Will Also Allow DLA To Leverage Its Long Standing Investment In Mainframe Applications And Adapt Them To Provide Continued Service In A Standards Compliant Environment



# **QUESTIONS**

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